

ELECTRONIC DEATH REGISTRATION SYSTEM (EDRS) Funeral Home-New Edits

In an effort to reduce typing while completing an EDRS death certificate, two new edits have been added that will go into effect on March 11, 2012.

Edit 1: If the decedent was male, the last name of the decedent will automatically be copied over as the father's last name.

If the decedent's last name is different than that of the father, simply type over the father's last name and then override the current edit that compares the father's last name and decedent's last name when the gender is male.

Edit 2: If the marital status is "Married", the first, middle and suffix name fields of the spouse will automatically be copied over into the Informant's first, middle and suffix name fields. Additionally, the decedent's last name will be copied into the Informant's last name field. The Informant's Relationship will also be updated to Spouse. This edit occurs when the Armed Forces question is answered which is immediately before the Informant's name fields.

If the informant is not the spouse, simply update the informant's name fields and the relationship field. If you prefer that the informant relationship when married is not listed as spouse, simply change this to husband or wife.

Death data for 2011 reveals that 87% of the records show the informant as spouse, husband or wife when the marital status was "Married".

If you have questions concerning these edits, please call the Vital Records help desk at 402-471-8275.

These edits were added based on a recommendation from a funeral director. If you have any additional ideas that would help make the system more efficient, please email DHHS.VRRS@nebraska.gov.